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Oregon Republican Party C00153031

This note is regarding July '05 Monthly Report Amendment #1, FEC-198167

The request for information letter dated itemized the following topics:

--Schedule A discloses one contribution which appears to exceed the limit prohibiting a State party committee from receiving any contribution from a person in excess of \$10,000 per calendar year. Specifically, Joan Austin made a contribution of \$25,000. This contribution was properly reattributed \$10,000 to Joan, and \$10,000 to her joint account holder (her spouse, G. Ken Austin) by written authorization; a copy of that letter is in the mail January 27, 2006 to your office. In addition, the final \$5,000 was reattributed to a non-federal account; a copy of that transfer check is in the mail January 27, 2006 to your office. Finally, in order to properly disclose the reattribution, I have filed this amendment with the proper memo items for the reattribution and reflecting it properly on Schedule B, line 22 for the transfer to our non-federal account.

--Our May, June, and July Monthly Reports show limited payments for administrative expenses. Specifically, you see payment for rent and wages, but not for utilities. Our electricity and heat are included in our rent costs. There are payments itemized to vendors for utilities such as phone service, internet service, website maintenance and hosting, office equipment lease, office supplies, conference call services, and computer maintenance. In addition, as a fiscally conservative party we do try to run as efficiently as possible--keeping costs down as low as possible. Thus, we do the work ourselves for things such as office cleaning, taking out the trash, etc. Our administrative costs are somewhat low, but that is not a failure to comply or fully disclose expenses--it is by design and our intention to keep it as low as is reasonable.

Thank you.

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